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Dear Parents of Seniors,

Hello! We at Stanwood High School are excited to continue a favorite tradition for our graduating seniors. The 2022 seniors will participate in a "From Roots to Wings Graduation Walk" at one of our local elementary schools. Simply, it is an event in which graduating seniors return to their former elementary school in the district for one last walk down the halls. Elementary students and teachers in the schools would line the halls to commemorate and congratulate the graduates for completing the long journey. The purpose is two-fold. One, to serve as a time of reflection and celebration as graduates go back to "where it all started" before receiving their diplomas and passing over the final threshold on graduation night. Second, we hope that this tradition will serve as an impressionable memory that will inspire students to work hard and never give up as they travel on their own academic journey.

The "From Roots to Wings Graduation Walk" will immediately follow their graduation ceremony rehearsal on Friday, June 10th. Seniors will be bussed to their elementary school. Students who did not attend a local elementary school are still encouraged to participate and can choose which elementary school to walk at. Once students have gone through the school they will be loaded back onto the bus and returned to Stanwood High School, Church Creek Campus.

## Seniors will need to bring their graduation cap and gown to the rehearsal Friday morning!

On the back side you will find a permission slip for seniors and parents to complete and return to Carol Upton in the main office by June 8th.

This event was a fantastic success last year and loved by all. We hope every senior will join in the fun! Parents are welcome to come watch and take pictures! However, please check with your student's elementary school for any restrictions inside the building. If you have questions please contact me, Denise Eichler, at: deichler@stanwood.wednet.edu

We look forward to honoring this 13-year journey with your senior!

Sincerely, Denise Eichler